representatives have been received by CBSE against the amendment to the Affiliation Bye-laws of CBSE to grant fee for single girl child.

(b) No such instance has come to the notice of the Government.

(c) CBSE has also requested all the affiliated schools to submit a quartely report on fee faver. It at any point of time, it is detected that any school affiliated to CBSE is not providing this facility to the single girl child or denying admission on this ground, necessary action under Affiliation Bye-laws can be taken against them.

Additional rice to Karnataka

2783. SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government of Karnataka has requested for release of additional quantity of rice of BPL rates for the additional 19.66 lakha of children; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF): (a) and (b) A request to provide additional foodgrains under Mid-Day Meal Scheme for 19.66 lakh student of classes VI and VII was received from Government of Karnataka. Since Mid-Day Meal Scheme covers students of class I to V only, the request could not be agreed to.

Eligibility Criteria For Teachers in Professional Colleges

2784. SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether educational qualification and experience has been prescribed for the posts of Readers and Professors in the professional colleges including the engineering colleges;

(b) if so, the details in this regard, course-wise;

(c) whether there is an acute shortage of teaching staff with requisite qualification and experience at the level of Readers and Professors;